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Post Office Box 615

Frankfort, KY 40602

Re: Louisville Gas and Electric Company Rate Hike Request

Dear Madams/Sirs:

I am a residential customer of LG&E at the address listed below and have been so since moving to the area in 1988.

Over that time, I have both enjoyed the utility's service and have accepted silently the unrelenting series of increases in rates.

At this point though I must write to protest the proposed rate hike now before you. In general, fossil fuel prices have been on the decline and natural gas prices in particular have gone to historical lows. However, LG&E proposes substantial increases, well beyond anything related to mere inflationary factors.

Further, it is hard not to notice the aggressive rate stances taken by the utility since its acquisition by PPL Corporation. I believe a phrase like "squeezing the customers" would not be out of the question.

I urge you to not approve the rate hike request. I further urge you not to just grant a compromise rate increase of some intermediate figure. In fact, I would urge you to challenge the company to explain why a rate DECREASE would not be in order.

Thank you.



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